



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
<http://board.co.la.ca.us/blc>**

**Wednesday, July 10, 2013**

**9:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-3363)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

Present: President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell,  
Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and  
Commissioner James Barger

1. Call to Order. (13-3270)

**President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER**

2. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of June 12, 2013 (13-3271)

**On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Barger,  
duly carried by the following vote, this item was approved.**

**Ayes:** 4 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée  
Campbell, Commissioner Shan Lee and  
Commissioner James Barger

**Abstentions:** 1 - Secretary Sara Vasquez

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Hearing on application for Annual Dance, Business License ID# 139768, to issue a new license to Windsor Dancesport, Inc., Alan J. Dixon owner of VIVO Dancesport Center, located at 17130 East Colima Road, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 in the Fourth District. (13-3279)

**Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals; TTC has no objections to the issuance of the license.**

Commissioner Lee shared that in the past he was a member of the center. Commissioner Lee asked Alan J. Dixon, owner of VIVO Danceport Center, to elaborate on the reason for the relocation of the dance studio.

Alan J. Dixon reported that the landlord requested the relocation; the new location is approximately 2,000 sq. ft. bigger. They are a competitive dance studio that includes private lessons, various functions and events. Mr. Dixon added that the dance studio is affiliated with the National Dance Council of America and the studio's primary purpose is to assist students who dream of competing against their national and internationally renowned teachers.

On motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Vice President Campbell, duly carried by the following vote, this item was approved.

**Ayes:** 5 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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4. Hearing on application for Entertainment-General, Business License ID# 139878, to issue a new license to Cecilia and Sergio Flores, Inc., Sergio Flores, owner of 49ER Bar & Grill located at 31908 Crown Valley Road, Acton, CA 93510 in the Fifth District. (13-3281)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals, this license is for an existing business that has had previous changes in ownership.

Sergio Flores, owner of 49ER Bar & Grill, reported that food is served at his establishment and although the location of the western-like bar is isolated, the history of the 49er gold miners and karaoke experience attracts customers from all areas. Mr. Flores added that his establishment does not have a stage or dressing room.

President Afriat asked if the facility was issued a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) by the City of Santa Clarita and Alice Wong, Regional Planning, confirmed they are in compliance with the CUP.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Vice President

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**Campbell, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the following conditions:**

- **Comply with existing CUP**
- **Stage waiver**
- **Dressing room waiver**

**Ayes:** 5 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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- 5.** Hearing on application for Health Spa/Club/SC for the City of Santa Clarita, Business License ID# 139532, to issue a new license to TW Holdings, Inc., Gene Patrick La Mott, owner of Total Woman Gym & Day Spa, located at 24245 Magic Mountain Parkway, Valencia, CA 91355 in the Fifth District. (13-3282)

**Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the application is for a health club spa and the hearing is being held for the City of Santa Clarita. The applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals; City of Santa Clarita has no objections to the issuance of the license.**

**Joan Brandt, Total Woman Gym & Day Spa, reported they have 15 gym-like spa locations, designed for women, which can be accessed with various types of memberships. Ms. Brandt added that all of the massage technicians are certified by the California Massage Therapy Council and reported that the County Health Permit and the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), from the City of Santa Clarita, have been obtained. The hours of operation are 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The facility has a steam and sauna room, there is no Jacuzzi available.**

**On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Vice President Campbell, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the condition that they comply with the existing CUP.**

**Ayes:** 5 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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### **III. REPORTS**

6. Discussion on second hand businesses (Continued from meeting of June 12, 2013). (13-2807)

**Secretary Vasquez reported complaints were received regarding secondhand businesses on Whittier Blvd, located in the First District, that are allegedly operating without licenses and requested that an investigation be conducted.**

**Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that an investigation conducted in the area revealed that most businesses have secondhand dealer licenses, however, there was a concern about the amount of business in the area. Ms. Hernandez added that businesses found without licenses are monitored to ensure efforts to obtain a license are made and will be reported to the Sheriff's Department if further action is required.**

**If further complaints are received, Secretary Vasquez will request that addresses for businesses allegedly operating without a license be provided to utilize for investigating purposes.**

7. Commissioners' Comments. (13-3275)

**President Afriat expressed his interest in simplifying the business license process for applicants who move their establishments within the same shopping center and requested that, unless there are existing violations, these businesses not be required a hearing.**

**Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported of issues with Regional Planning with regard to a possible Conditional Use Permit (CUP) placed for certain locations.**

**President Afriat agreed that some circumstances may pose issues for Regional Planning but questioned whether there would still be a need to have applicants who just move a few doors down, at the same shopping center, to appear before the Commission. President Afriat added that if a business is required to comply with conditions in their CUP, the license would still be granted with the condition to comply with such requirements but the process would not require a public hearing.**

**President Afriat will direct staff to include an item to discuss simplifying license recommendations in a future agenda.**

**The Commission reviewed the calendar for July and August  
The Commission agreed to cancel the following meetings:**

**July 17, 2013  
July 24, 2013 and  
July 31, 2013**

**President Afriat requested that August 7, 2013 be noted as a tentative meeting date awaiting possible charitable solicitations.**

**Barbara Goul, County Counsel, distributed the AB 1234 Ethics Self-Study Training Materials to the commissioners and requested that the commissioners try to complete the training materials by August 14, 2013.**

#### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

##### **Public Comment**

- 8.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-3277)

**No members of the public addressed the Commission.**

##### **Adjournment**

- 9.** Adjournment for the meeting of July 10, 2013. (13-3278)

**On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by President Afriat, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.**